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- The SNB is soon to activate a complete, independent telephone communications system which is to consist of 15 main switchboards located in the larger cities throughout Czechoslovakia and an unknown number of regional switchboards in the smaller cities. Source asserts five of the main switchboards and twenty-five regional switchboards are already in operation. The Tesla plant at Kolin (051/M38), formerly Prchal-Ericson, has recently put into production 15 autometic telephone switchboards and 250 smaller automatic telephone switchboards, which source states are to be incorporated into the SIB telephone system.
- Almost every SIB post, especially those in the border regions, will be serviced by this communications network. The net, which is to be completed by the end of 1951, will enable the SIB to alert its entire command within 15 minutes. Posts in the border areas will furthermore be supplied with sufficient vehicles to enable them, when alerted, completely to occupy every section of the border within 15 to 30 minutes.

